

PS – APCS (Ex.Br) – Sri D. Viswanadham, former M.R.O. Veeraghattam, Srikakulam dist. and now Dy. Collector – Issued Benthoriya S.T. Caste Certificates without competency – Disciplinary action initiated – Articles of Charges issued – Explanation submitted – Considered – Further action dropped Orders issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE – III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 626

29-4-2009

Read the following:

1. From Collector, Srikakulam district, Lr.196/2004/A2, dt: 2.2.04.
2. From CCLA. ref. VSI(1)/875/2004, dt: 2-6-2006.
3. G.O.Rt.No. 2062, Rev (Vig.III) Dept., dt: 16.9.2006.
4. From Sri D. Viswanadham, former M.R.O. expln., dt:21.12.06.
5. Govt. Memo. No.28608/Vig.III(1)/2006-3, Rev. (Vig.III) Deptt., dt:6.2.2007 along with a copy of ref. 5<sup>th</sup> cited and reminder dt:23.3.2007.
6. From the Collector, Srikakulam, Rc.No.196/2004.A2, Dt:22.12.2007.
7. Govt. Memo. No.28608/Vig.III(1)/2006-6, Rev. (Vig.III) Deptt., dt:4.6.2008.
8. Memo. No. 28608/Vig.III(1)/2006-7, Dated:10.09.2008.
9. From the Collector, Srikakulam, Lr. No. 196/2004/A2, dt: 21-10-2008.

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**ORDER:**

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad in the ref. 2<sup>nd</sup> read above has stated that the Collector, Srikakulam has reported that Sri. D. Viswanadham, formerly Mandal Revenue Officer, Veeraghattam, has issued false Benthoriya S.T caste Certificates without his competency and therefore requested to initiate necessary disciplinary action against him.

2. Accordingly disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri. D. Viswanadham by issuing article of charges duly calling for his explanation vide G.O 3<sup>rd</sup> read above.
3. Sri. D. Viswanadham in the ref. 4<sup>th</sup> read above has submitted his written statement of defence stating that he worked as Mandal Revenue Officer, Veeraghattam Mandal from 30-6-1996 to 27-9-2000. While working as Mandal Revenue Officer, the Revenue Inspectors concerned have submitted some proposals for issue of Benth-Oriya Caste Certificates in respect of some candidates along with the record of inquiry, Statements of villagers, Sarpanches along with School records like TC or SSC certificates etc. After satisfying himself with the supporting documents produced by the Rev. Inspectors, he has issued the Caste Certificates. At this point of time, it has been brought to his notice about the issue of G.O.Ms. No. 122 S.W (J) Dept., dt: 1-9-1997 in which the Divisional Officer have been delegated with the powers of issuing Benth-Oriya caste certificates in non- scheduled areas. Had it been brought to his notice, he would not have issued the said Caste Certificates. He has finally stated that he has issued the above said certificates in good faith basing on the record of enquiry produced by the Rev Inspectors concerned i.e. the evidence of school record like T.Cs in which the caste of the individuals was recorded as Benth-Oriya caste and requested to drop further action against him.
4. The Dist. Collector, Srikakulam who has been consulted in the matter has reported that Benth-Oriya certificates issued by the then M.R.O, Veeraghattam mandal i.e., Sri. D. Viswanadam were not utilized for Govt. Jobs or any financial benefits from the Govt., as they are not counter signed by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Palakonda. The Revenue Divisional Officer, is competent to issue Benth-Oriya certificates. The Collector, Srikakulam has also furnished the list of Benth-Oriya certificates issued by the charged officer.

P.T.O.

5. Govt. after careful examination of the explanation of the charged officer have decided to drop further action against Sri. D. Viswanadham former Mandal Revenue Officer, Veeraghattam and presently Dy. Collector,(Rtd). Accordingly further action against him is dropped.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.SAMUEL  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,  
Sri. D. Viswanadham, former Mandal Revenue Officer,  
Veeraghattam now Dy. Collector, (Rtd) through Chief  
Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P.,  
Hyderabad.  
The Collector, Srikakulam  
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